



DIPLOMA IN COMMUNITY POLITICS AND THE LAW

Purpose

This graduate program, offered by the Department of Political Science, Sir George Williams Campus, leads to a professional diploma in Politics. The general aim is to increase knowledge of the political process and improve involvement in political practice. More specifically, the program trains students in handling political and legal problems at the community level. It, therefore, aims to provide the necessary expertise for effective participation in public affairs.

Method

This is a program in Applied Political Science. It combines theoretical education with practical training. Students will be required to apply their academic learning in resolving actual political issues. For this reason, the program is designed for part-time study, and the courses are given in the evening. Acquiring practical experience in community politics, therefore, is an integral part of the program.

Courses

The subjects offered cover a broad range of legal and political themes in such way as to concentrate on the politics of social and legal issues. In that sense, some of the topics covered include: Political Prudence and Jurisprudence; Social Conflict and Political Organization; Interest Groups and the Community; Public and Administrative Law; Welfare, Environmental and Consumer Law; Discrimination and Human Rights; and Urban Politics.

Candidates

The program is aimed to attract qualified people who are interested in politics either for professional occupation or avocational reasons. In addition to becoming more involved and responsible citizens, graduates of the program could engage in political animation, community leadership, campaign organization, group consultation, para-legal aid, government lobbying, and public service.

Faculty

Although, some full-time members of the Department of Political Science are teaching and administering in the Program, most of the courses are offered by part-time faculty. This combination is intended to emphasize the relation between theory and practice, by bringing-in experienced professionals to impart their expertise while they are engaged in political activities.

Information

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